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JULY 24, 1958

THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY STATES MARINE LINES HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AS A BASIS FOR CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS TO OPERATE THE NS SAVANNAH. IT IS PROPOSED THAT STATES MARINE LINES WILL SERVE AS THE GENERAL AGENT DURING THE INITIAL TRIALS AND TESTS OF THE NS SAVANNAH. AT THE TIME WHEN THE SAVANNAH ENTERS COMMERCIAL SERVICE MATSON WILL ASSIST STATES MARINE LINES WITH REGARDS TO PASSENGER OPERATIONS. AT THAT TIME SUBAGENTS WILL BE APPOINTED FOR VARIOUS AREAS OF THE WORLD. IT IS PROPOSED TO HOLD A MEETING IN WASHINGTON ON TUESDAY, JULY 29, 1958 AT THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION/FEDERAL MARITIME BOARD ROOM AT 10:00 AM TO DISCUSS THIS PROBLEM AND YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE IF YOU SO DESIRE.

Sgd. Walter C. Ford

for CLARENCE G. MORSE
MARITIME ADMINISTRATOR

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